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RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 19, 2004 OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Non Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed February 19, 2004.

Examiner's response to applicant's December 15, 2003 response and amendment

In the Office Action mailed February 19, 2004, the Examiner indicates that the response and amendment filed by the applicant on December 15, 2003 ("the December amendment") was non-responsive. The Applicant respectfully disagrees and requests that the Examiner enter the December amendment as filed.

In support of his position, the Examiner provides several arguments. First, the Examiner argues that the December amendment canceled "all claims drawn to the elected invention" and presented "only claims drawn to a non-elected invention" and

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or variant descriptions of some of the claim language, Applicant respectfully notes that these remarks are not to be used to create implied limitations in the claims and only the actual wording of the claims should be considered in order to determine the scope of the claims.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with the filing of this response to Deposit Account 23-0035.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the December amendment was responsive and specifically requests that the Examiner enter that amendment in this case and consider newly submitted Claims 67-90.

Respectfully submitted,


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